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SUBJ: LOS: SEABED COMMITTEE MET, SUMMARY OF FIFTH

WEEK

1. OVERALL SUMMARY: SUBCOMMITTEE I COMPLETED FIRST READING OF DRAFT ARTICLES ON INTERNATIONAL MACHINERY. SUBCOMMITTEE II CONSTITUTED INFORMAL WORKING UNIT ON FISHERIES AND COMMENCED CONSIDERATION OF DRAFT ARTICLE ON TERRITORIAL SEA BASED ON ALTERNATIVE FORMULATIONS IN CONSOLIDATED TEXT. SUBCOMMITTEE III WG DISCUSSED INTERNATIONAL AND COASTAL STATE MARINE POLLUTION STANDARDS AND DRAFTING GROUP ON SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH CONTINUED TO MAKE SLOW PROGRESS.

2. MAIN COMMITTEE:

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MAIN COMMITTEE MET ONCE TO CONSIDER PROCEDURAL QUESTIONS

INVOLVING SPEEDING UP WORK OF SEABED COMMITTEE, ESPECIALLY IN SC II. SEABED COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN (AMB. AMERASINGHE) AGREED TO REESTABLISH REGIONAL CONTACT GROUP UNDER HIS CHAIRMANSHIP.

3. SUBCOMMITTEE I:

A. SC-I MET ONCE TO CONSIDER REPORT FROM CHAIRMAN OF ITS WORKING GROUP AND TO BRPVEFLY#SECRETARY GENERAL'S REPORT ON SEABED MINERAL RESOURCES: RECENT DEVELOPMENTS.

B. WORKING GROUP I ON SEABED MACHINERY: WG COMPLETED FIRST READING OF MACHINERY ARTICLES HAVING FINISHED WITH POWERS AND FUNCTIONS OF TRIBUNAL AND SECRETARIAT, AND CONTRIBUTIONS OF ALL ORGANS OF SEABED AUTHORITY. US INTRODUCED ARTICLES ON TRIBUNAL AND SEABED BOUNDARY REVIEW COMMISSION BOTH OF WHICH WILL BE INCORPORATED IN NEW TEXT.

4. SUBCOMMITTEE II:

A. SC -II WG OF WHOLE RECEIVED SECRETARIAT CONSOLIDATED TEXT ON TERRITORIAL SEA, STRAITS AND ARCHIPELAGOES. WG COMMENCED DISCUSSION ON ALTERNATIVES FOR FIRST DRAFT ARTICLE ON TERRITORIAL SEA USING FORMULATIONS IN CONSOLIDATED TEXT AS BASIS.

B. INFORMAL WORKING UNIT WAS CONSTITUTED BY CO-SPONSORS OF SIX-POWER FISHERIES PROPOSAL AND MET ONCE TO BEGIN DISCUSSION ON FISHERIES WITH VIEW TOWARD DRAFTING ALTERNATIVE TEXTS. PRECISE METHOD OF WORKING INFORMAL WORKING UNIT AND IN WG OF WHOLE REMAINED UNCLEAR.

5. SUBCOMMITTEE III:

A. WG ON MARINE POLLUTION MET AND CONTINUED DISCUSSION OF INTERNATIONAL STANDARDS. WITHOUT COMPLETING DISCUSSION OF THAT ISSUE, WG THEN TURNED TO RIGHTS OF COASTAL UNCLASSIFIED

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STATE TO ESTABLISH STANDARDS IN AREA ADJACENT TO ITS COAST. ALTERNATE TEXTS IN BOTH AREAS ARE BEING PREPARED.

B. SC-III, WG 3 (SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH (SR)) AND INFORMAL DRAFTING GROUP EACH HELD FOUR SESSIONS CONSIDERING ITEMS 1, 2 AND 3 OF WORKING PAPER NO.1. DRAFTING GROUP HAS MADE SLOW PROGRESS ON DEFINITION AND OBJECTIVES OF SR AND RIGHTS OF STATES TO CONDUCT SR. PROVISIONS OF

ART. 2 OF US DRAFT DEALING WITH NOTIFICATION OF COASTAL
STATE AND OBLIGATIONS OF RESEARCH MET WITH FAIRLY WIDE
OPPOSITION ON AUG 2 BY ADVOCATES OF CONSENT TO SR IN
AREAS OF NATIONAL JURISDICTION.

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